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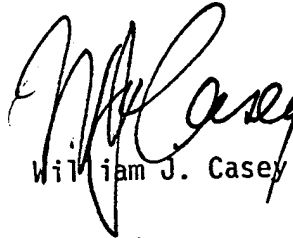
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Production Enhancement Initiatives for FY 83-84

1. I have reviewed the proposed production enhancement initiatives and, as I mentioned to [redacted] do not believe that they are either important enough or concrete enough to justify their cost. I am willing to spend \$10 million for production enhancement initiatives if a group of better proposals can be developed. I think the community working group should go back to the drawing board to do this. I would think that proposals can be developed that expand the frontiers of our production and analysis in areas recently identified for priority work--e.g., technology transfer, instability, economic vulnerabilities, and so forth--and that would have wider usefulness and applicability.

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2. In any event, I want to look at this program very hard next year to see if it is worth the time involved in putting it together and the costs of the products. Because the current package is for FY 83, I think you have plenty of time to take another look at these initiatives.


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cc: Director, IC Staff

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